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DISTRICT CROPPINGS

And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

Father Concha has gone to the Coast on a short vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ranch returned on Sunday from an extended visit to Golden.

W. A. Gillier, M.P., visited Cranbrook and addressed the Liberal Association in that burg.

J. L. McKay is having lumber hauled from his mill at Atholville to his ranch at Sinclair, and will build a new residence there.

The Liberal Conservatives of Wilmer have decided to organize an association and, as will be seen by their, in another column, a meeting is called for Feb. 12th. A good attendance is requested.

W. S. Santal has been busy the past week moving his effects from Cast-church to "Thunder Hill." Friday last Mrs. Santal and Miss Vigil went up. Their departure is much regretted by their many friends, and all declare that they will not neglect to stop there when en route to Cranbrook.

The Windermere Amateur Theatrical Company intend presenting to the public the comedy "Dearest Mama," in the Windermere Town Hall, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 10th, at 8:30. Admission 50 cents. If the company so wish a dance can follow the entertainment. Everyone is invited to attend.

Ernest Caswell, the murderer who escaped from the Calgary jail, has been captured and is to be hung last Friday. He was free from Feb. 10 to Feb. 2, and was caught seven miles from Calgary in a cellar. The lesson was on fire and extinguished by his captives, when Caswell came out with both hands up, posing like a coward after all.

Officer Colin Cameron returned on Monday from a visit to his home in Paisley, Ont. He reports having had a good time, but said he was glad to get back to a mild climate like the again. He says that there is a tremendous amount of snow in those country, where he was, and in fact all over Ontario. He also stopped off at different points along his route.

Paddy Ryan was in town last week and learned the Outcrop that he had just come to a Sunshine mine and had decided to take E. L.'s advice and get married. Before leaving town he visited "The War Office" where he was given a dose of Dr. Peter salt and had his whiskers shaved on one side. Then he had the clippers applied under the chin, and to complete his toilet the remaining whiskers were scalped or cut curly. He now presents a handsome appearance. Any pretty young woman who wants our friend Paddy may address this office.

W. S. Rattan has received the sad intelligence of the death of his brother, J. F. Rattan, at Port Arthur, Ontario, on January 21. An Associated Press dispatch says: "J. F. Rattan, real estate dealer, and one of the town's most prominent residents, died in his home here this afternoon. Deceased was a brother of Colonel Rattan, of Winnipeg." Much sympathy is extended to Mr. W. S. Rattan by his friends throughout the valley in his bereavement.

Mrs. G. A. Starke has presented the Wilmer Presbyterian church with a number of hymn books.

"The War Office" has been doing considerable business of late, and nearly every morning "Life savers" are in immediate demand.

J. L. McKay, of Sinclair, has purchased a lot of land from the C. P. R. in Block No. 352, at Vermilion pass, through the local agent, R. R. Bruce.

The C. P. R. is preparing to issue an illustrated pamphlet to advertise their line in this valley. It will contain a number of cuts and a witness of the advantages here for agriculturists.

Wm. Chamberlain, the genial proprietor of the Union Hotel, was the happiest man in Wilmer Tuesday morning owing to the arrival of a daughter. Mrs. Chamberlain and baby are doing well.

Everyone should remember that every mine in the Windermere district that has been developed to any extent have been examined by mining experts of acknowledged ability and their reports are all favorable to these properties.

A sheet of silver is the dressing applied by Dr. Ireland, a French physician, to wounds. It is the remarkable antiseptic properties, and a fresh wound heals quickly without suppuration, while a chronic sore becomes gradually covered with healthy skin.

The new drilling tool of Mr. Charles Simmons, of London, enables one man to do the kind of thing requiring two men. To an iron upright or spreader bar, about 6 feet in height, is attached a small cylinder, and an ordinary 2-foot drill passing through this cylinder is held in rigid position by a powerful spring and grip lever. The drill is revolved by a foot lever working in conjunction with a piston.

Official Charges

Considerable interest has been aroused throughout this district during the past week over an item which appears in the details of estimated expenditures given out by the Provincial Legislature. The item referred to reads like this in the newspapers:

"The mining recorder at Wilmer, formerly at Windermere, is to have his pay increased from \$900 to \$1,000."

It is further stated that a pamphlet has been sent out by the Legislature, which The Outcrop has not seen, states that the mining recorder shall also act as County Court registrar, etc.

From this it is stated that the two offices will be amalgamated and that one man will occupy the two offices, thus one of the two present officials will be without a position and the Recording Office is to be moved from Windermere to Wilmer, but this is not to take place until next June.

Naturally this leads to considerable argument and to some discontent.

A still unexplained effect of the electric light somewhat resembles mild sunburn and sunstroke. The heat of the electric is employed in the reducing furnace is so concentrated that it melts steel like tallow, but the thermometer a dozen yards away is scarcely affected. Even at this distance from the heat, however, persons experience a burning of the face and other exposed skin much like that produced by intensely hot sunshine. The skin becomes deeply bronzed, and there is temporary blindness in natural light, with pain in the eyes, followed by headache and insomnia.

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The Latest Problem.—In the United States the Mexican dollar has an exchange value of 90 cents. In Mexico the American silver dollar has the same value. On the frontier of the United States, where Texas joins Mexico, there are two saloons, one on each side of the frontier. A man buys a 1 lb drink of whiskey at the American saloon and pays for it with an American silver dollar, receiving a Mexican silver dollar in change. With this he crosses the border, goes into a Mexican saloon, hands over the Mexican dollar for a 10 drink and receives an American dollar in change. How much whiskey will a dollar buy and who pays for it?

Bounty Regulations

Under the Lead Bounty Act of last session, regulations have been approved by order-in-council governing the payment of the bounty on lead contained in lead-bearing ores mined in Canada.

The regulations provide among other things, that all producers of the lead bearing ores who desire to avail themselves of the bounty must notify the minister of their intention to make a claim under the act declaring the name of the mine producing the ore, its situation, and the names of president, secretary and manager, as well as the name of the official authorized to make the claim.

All claims must be substantiated on the oath of the manager of the mine. They may be made monthly, but no claim will be recognized unless in conformity with these regulations.

The smelting of all lead bearing ores, on which a claim for bounty is to be made, shall be at all times under the supervision of an officer of the department of trade and commerce, and this officer may at any time demand a floor-sample of any ore delivered at the smelter, for smelting purposes.

The books of any mining company coming under the act are to be open at all times to the inspection of a supervising officer. The cost of such supervision is to be paid by the claimants and will be deducted pro rata from the bounty according to the quantity smelted during the fiscal year.

Word also comes from Kaslo that Mr. G. O. Buchanan has received all the necessary blank forms and full instructions for the distribution of the lead bonus. Claims are to be made under the regulations from July 1st, 1903, and may include all amounts produced up to the end of any month.

Whitaker Wright

Whitaker Wright, the star mining promoter, who was sentenced in London to seven years penal servitude and an out-of-pocket fine of £100,000, is talked of the world over. Wright was a smart man but like many others he knew it too well and the fact proved his downfall. He has suffered for his crime, yet he is entitled to respect for having protected those who today enjoy life but partake of the fruits of his dishonesty. There are men in high places in England to-day, who are so cowardly that they do not deserve the respect that they are least accorded and yet will stir about and make good fellows of themselves on this black money and yet have not the courage of J. B. Whitaker Wright was a prince compared with some of his pals who are still at large. If Wright's pals were poor men there would be some pity for them, but in this case they are worse than the common thief.

P. Perkins and his son Bert have returned from trapping 124 days up Findlay creek and vicinity with just 125 winter skins—some skin for each day. The skins are worth between \$400 and \$600, so that they have made good money for their day's work.

Consented into a few words these are the "Modern Views of Matter," as expounded by Sir Oliver Lodge: Electricity is a substance, the only kind of substance, and all matter is merely an accumulation of electric charges. It appears probable that these electric charges are all of exactly the same amount, although some are positive and some negative, and are the atoms of the chemical elements are formed by varying numbers and arrangements of these charges, or electrons. There are about 200 electrons, 254 positive and 250 negative, in the hydrogen atom, which has been so long regarded as the final and indivisible unit of matter; there must be about 10 times as many in an oxygen, and about 200 times as many, say 100,000, in a sodium atom, the heaviest known.

LEAD MINERS AFTER C.P.R.

Freight Rates are Increased on the Lead Both Ways

A Montreal dispatch says an interesting fight is on between the Silver Lead Miners' Association of British Columbia and the C.P.R., in which the association is trying to force the railway to cut off the increase in the rates on lead. The contention made by the association is that the railway acted in half faith when it increased the rates on lead. At the time the convention was held at which it was decided to ask the government for a bounty on lead, the C.P.R., who own the smelter at trail, through W. H. Aldridge, the general manager of the mine, announced that if the bounty was granted there would not be any increase at the smelter. Since the bounty was granted the price of lead throughout the world has increased, a couple of cents a pound, and both factors contribute to make a fair profit. The C.P.R. is saying this and being made to increase the prices at the smelter, advanced the rates on the lead, both when it was being brought to the smelter and when it was being forwarded to the market. The association claims that the advance in rates on the lead is exactly the same thing as an advance at the smelter, and should not have been made.

GOLDEN NUGGETS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Golden, B.C., Jan. 20.—A number of the Golden carlers returned from the Revelstoke trip today. The other carlers will arrive tomorrow and two trucks from Revelstoke are expected.

R. E. Foster, who arrived from Wilmer last week, has gone to Revelstoke.

A. R. Yates, of Wilmer, was in town a few days this week.

C. Cameron, Provincial Constable at Atholville, has returned from his trip to Ontario and Manitoba and leaves for the Upper Country on Sunday's stage.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Carlin returned on Sunday last from Minneapolis.

The Golden carlers returned from Calgary with very bad odds, along with the prices they won.

On Wednesday afternoon a man by the name of W. Mason walked into town from the west. Mr. Mason is walking around the world and has already been six and a half years at it and expects to complete his trip within seven years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Robinson left on Friday for their new home in Edmonton. Mr. and Mrs. W. Kay have moved into the house recently occupied by the Robinsons.

Radium constantly generates heat and when has been shown that it may constantly generate electricity. It gives off both positive and negative electrons, and the former—some hundred times as large as the latter—may be held back by a force of static or any other of a variety of substances.

It is shown that heredity is not derived from parents, immediately from grandparents, and immediately from great grand parents.

GILLIER HELD FOR TRIAL

Evidence Proved That he Shot J. McGe

The inquest upon the death of John McGe, who was shot by Louis Gillier, proprietor of the Jaffray hotel, in a drunken brawl on the night of the 16th, was held at Fernie last week. The testimony of the principal witness, Wm. McDonald, was as follows:

He testified that he had known deceased when he was a little boy. He first met him in British Columbia at Wilmer and had been with him since. They had been working in the last camp at Jaffray about six weeks. McGe was paid off on Saturday and he had also quit working for the company. They with some companions went to Jaffray about 4 p.m. This was the first time he had been there at this hotel and he believed it was McGe's first time. They had done some drinking before supper. After supper he went away from the bar room but McGe and some others kept on drinking. Later on McGe got full and made considerable noise. Once when he was outside he heard deceased and Mrs. Gillier talking loudly. He did not know what about. He and his companions had intended going to Cranbrook on a freight but missed the train so they decided to remain at the hotel all night. The shooting occurred between 11 and 12 o'clock. Just previous to that time Mrs. McGe and deceased were outside and the other two McDonalds had gone upstairs. McGe went into the house last. He followed shortly after and upon entering the hall or office he found deceased and Mrs. Gillier sitting near the stairs. They stopped and neither reached over to take hold of deceased's shoulder when he was fired. He saw the gun in Mr. Gillier's hand. Thompson fired the last shot. He must have been in the last shot. The doctor was standing at the dining room door about six or seven feet away from the deceased. He could not recognize the gun. This was the first time he had ever seen McGe drunk. He did not see Mrs. Gillier acting in an improper manner. She was in the bar in the afternoon and shook the dice with the boys.

The physicians and one other witness were examined. The jury returned the following verdict: "That the deceased, John McGe, came to his death from the effects of two gun shots, and according to the evidence, we believe the shots were fired by Louis Gillier."

The preliminary examination was held on Friday and the prisoner was held for trial, and taken to Nelson, where he will be confined in jail until the next session.

An apparently simple idea now which recent inventors have failed to think of moving pictures that can speak. The words and other sounds are easily recorded by the photograph and moving objects are pictured by the cinematograph, but it has seemed well-nigh impossible to make the two kinds of apparatus perform their work in exactly the same time. It is claimed that the difficulty is at last overcome by the "phonograph" of Decca and Decca, two French inventors. The cinematograph needs considerable power while the phonograph requires minute speed, but perfect synchronism has been secured by the operating of the moving picture machine by a motor running electric current through the phonograph and automatically regulated by the tone of the latter. Edison's early device of mechanical recording of tone was a poor record of tone to be realized.

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W. P. Evans.

Publisher and Proprietor.

WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, FEB. 4, 1904.

In these days of combination it is a pity more townsite owners cannot see the point—this district could be greatly benefitted were this policy adopted.

There is much truth and wisdom in the appended extract taken from an article written by J. D. Kendall, M.E., for the B. C. Review, London, Eng.:

If we are to survive in the struggle for existence we must improve our commercial methods. We must not send out men to purchase mining properties who are utterly ignorant of mining, as we have done. We must not buy on vendor's reports, as we have done. We must not build mills and smelters, when we have not sufficient money in hand or at command for mine development, as we have done. We must not build mills before we have a mine nor leave the selection of treatment processes to men who are mill-builders only, as we have done. We must not send out to manage properties, men in whom we have so little confidence that they are little more than puppets worked from this end, as we have done. We must not leave the management of mines largely to boys, just from school, as we have done; even from a school of mines.

Mining can only be learned in the mine, although a knowledge of it is more rapidly and thoroughly reached if the preliminary training has been of the right kind.

We must pay more attention to mining and less to the share market, think more of dividends earned from the sale of mineral and little of those realized by the manipulation of stocks. The man who says, "Oh, damn dividends, I want a quieter way of making money than that," will probably disagree with the last remark, but for the benefit of the community it should never be forgotten that in stock transactions money simply changes hands—'twas mine, 'tis his—whilst by the opening up of a mineral deposit which can be worked at a profit new wealth is created and the country as well as shareholders, to that extent benefitted.

It has been remarked that to stock a mining property with a good showing of ore is a mistake—sometimes it is a mistake and more often it is not. As argument favoring the former the many companies now formed that allow their properties to lie idle year after year is pointed to, and it must be admitted that British Columbia has more than a fair share of such companies. But the reason of it is generally traceable to the first promoter of such a company; his ideas of the amount of capital needed to start with are too small and his ideas of his ability to sell stock are too large, and in a very short while he finds that out and the company must wait until more shares can be disposed of, and year after year the shareholders wait for something to "happen."

Yet if the right kind of a promoter stocks a "good showing" he interests the right kind of shareholders on the start, and the "good showing" is tackled at once and proved or disproved.

Stocking a mining property is the best thing for the country generally, provided the company is a mining company and not a "stock market" company. A company is a public concern, while a mine worked by individuals is a private business. In the latter case the general public may build up large businesses on the strength of what they believe the private mine owners will do and yet the public may be kept in ignorance of the actual conditions of the mine. In the former case the public can easily learn the conditions of a stock mine, and, therefore, can have some definite knowledge and reason for building up business. Of course, it is very seldom, if ever, that business men are not allowed to know the conditions of a mine, and those miners who do attempt it are very few.

Sometimes there are good, sound reasons for keeping the conditions of a mine a secret; for instance the owners may want to acquire more ground after they have proven the mine.

Although there is really no argument that can be brought against stocking a mining property it may be noted

that nearly every successful company was promoted after private enterprise had developed the properties until ore was shipped in considerable quantities and then it became too big an enterprise for individuals.

The word "mine" has come to be recognized as something big and necessarily so. Few mines pay from the grass-roots and even then it is necessary to have a large sum of money to work it on an extensive scale and a company sooner or later takes control.

Over at Raymond, Alberta, a sugar refinery has been erected, costing over half a million dollars. Now, beets will grow just as well here in the Windermere district as out on the prairie and perhaps a little better. What is the matter with making sugar right here?

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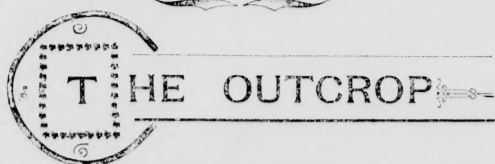
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A meeting will be held at the office of
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Friday, February 12th, 1904

at 8 p.m.,
for the purpose of organizing a

Wilmer Liberal-Conservative Association.

H. L. AMMIE,
Provisional-Chairman

Mr. Galliher After the Channel

A letter addressed to the secretary of the Windermere District Liberal Association from W. A. Galliher, M.P., states that he had heard that there was dissatisfaction here over the opening of the channel from the river to Wilmer and that as he had not been informed by any person of how matters stood he hoped the responsibility was not placed upon him, but that he would investigate the matter and see it was accomplished at the earliest time possible.

Liberals here admit that none of them informed Mr. Galliher of the delay of this work and now some interesting developments are expected and the responsible party will be learned no doubt.

Reform Needed

The Cranbrook Herald has sent The Outcrop a marked copy of an editorial in which it asks that other papers discuss the necessity of expenditure of public money more economical than has been in the past. This is what every person preaches but few practice, and the Herald

is right in its endeavor to treat the matter seriously. From its remarks we end the following:

"British Columbia has suffered too much in the past by partisan expenditure of money for public works. Political favorites, and political workers have held positions of trust and responsibility to which they had no claim except their partisan action. Thousands of dollars have been squandered on incompetents simply because they had a political pull. Public works has cost the taxpayers from 50 to 100 per cent more than it should, simply because the political workers were in charge instead of men with experience and knowledge of the labor performed. British Columbia should economize. No one objects to that, but let the reform be a fair one. Let the taxpayer get the worth of his money, and let \$5,000 do \$5,000 worth of improvements, instead of \$2,500 worth. Such a reform would work wonders in this great province."

Croppings

R. S. Gallop, of Canterbury, is returning from a trip to Montreal and other eastern points and has reached Golden.

Divine service is held every Sunday evening in St. Peter's Church, Windermere, at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

The Outcrop is on sale at A. R. Yates Drug Store, Wilmer.

In certain open cone furnaces, where air is admitted through openings and the gas from the bituminous coal is burned in the apparatus, carbon is deposited in the singular form of masses of fine threads. These deposits, which they call carbon wool, are found by two French chemists to occur in geode-like cavities in the coke, and the finer filaments are about 0.0008 inch in diameter while the coarser one range from 0.0012 to 1.0005 inch, the length being usually about 2 inches. The filaments are formed of rings, of which six were seen in 1-250th of an inch.

Rev. Mr. E. St. G. Smyth will conduct divine service in Wilmer in the evening of the first Sunday of each month.

Rev. Fraser will conduct services every Sunday in Windermere at 11 a.m., Atlin at 3 p.m., and Wilmer at 7:30 p.m., excepting the first Sunday in each month, when he holds services at Golden.

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